

The first 100 years are said to be the hardest, but the success of Alpha Epsilon Pi is a wonderful start.

I wish the fraternity every success in the future and look forward to seeing more leaders from Alpha Epsilon Pi take their place in the world.

AEPI was founded in 1913 at New York University, initially as a brotherhood of young men from similar backgrounds, but expanded in time with the goal of giving them the best college and fraternity experience. Since then approximately 100,000 men have been members of the fraternity.

More important is the leadership training provided by AEPI. Its members include Wolf Blitzer, Mark Zuckerberg, former Florida Congressman Ron Klein, National Hockey League Commissioner Gary Bettman, James Brooks, a producer/director of *The Simpsons*, Paul Simon and Art Garfunkel, and architect Frank Gehry, plus numberless more.

Celebrating a Centennial is a rare event. AEPI has contributed to the nation and the world for 100 years and if past performance is any indication, this will continue for many generations to come.

HONORING YONKERS COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 23, 2013

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, the Yonkers Commission on Human Rights is celebrating 50 years of working to affirm the rights of all citizens to full equality before the law as part of its commitment to eliminating racism and to empowering women.

The Commission on Human Rights was created on October 1, 1963, by the City of Yonkers with a charter that delineated the need for protection from human rights violations and the essence of human rights education for Yonkers residents and businesses alike.

The organization actively promotes human rights awareness and outreach in the Yonkers community through special events and activities, serving as a model for dialogue, discussion and coalition building to eliminate racism and intergroup hostilities.

The Yonkers Human Rights Commission fosters mutual respect and understanding among all racial, religious, and ethnic groups in the community, and strives to eliminate all forms of discrimination based on sex or age. It undertakes studies that aid in improving relationships among groups. It inquires into incidents of tension and conflict among or between various racial, religious, and nationality groups, and takes action to ease such tensions and conflicts.

The Human Rights Commission not only seeks to alleviate tensions but to actively promote goodwill among neighbors and communities.

For a half century the Yonkers Human Rights Commission has worked for equality for all in employment, housing, public accommodation, credit, and education. It is an outstanding example of what can be accomplished locally to enhance all of our lives. I am proud to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the

Yonkers Commission on Human Rights, and congratulate it for the work done for our community.

HONORING AUDREY SMITH- JOHNSON

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

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Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, Audrey Smith-Johnson was born in Yonkers and attended Yonkers Public Schools, and graduated from Tefft Business School. As a high school student, she volunteered at the Yonkers YWCA and was a Candy Stripper at St. Joseph Hospital. But it was while working various positions at a temp agency that she found her passion in real estate. She received her Real Estate Certificate and has been working in that field for 28 years.

But she has another calling, and that is as a member of her community. In July, 2005, she joined Community Sunset Temple #1132, Daughters of Elks, LBPOE Elks of the World. She was promptly elected as Doorkeeper and in 2006 she was elected as the Treasurer. There she has embraced in all facets of Elksdom. Some of the positions she holds are: Assistant Vice Loyal Daughter of Unity Past Daughter Rulers Council (Westchester & Rockland), she is a member of the New York State Daughters of Elks—Royal Court Department, Treasurer/Financial Secretary of the Past State President Circle of Westchester, Rockland and Sullivan Counties. This year she is the Chairperson of the Mid-Winter Conference for The New York State 1B POE of W.

She also belongs to the Yonkers African-American Heritage Committee, a not-for-profit community based organization that partners with several other such organizations, such as: Sister To Sister, YMCA, YWCA and The Yonkers Public Library. Mrs. Johnson joined the YAAHC in 2005, and was named Financial Secretary, a job she has kept, along with several appointed positions such as: Chairperson-Nominating Committee, Joint-Chair-Scholarship Committee and Assistant Corresponding Secretary.

In May 2009, Senior Center #9, located at Terrace City Lodge #1499 appointed her Communication/Publicity Director.

She and her husband, John (Worshipful Master of James H. Farrell #34, PH) have been married for 31 years. They have two children, Mrs. LaTasha Pagan and John, Jr., and a granddaughter Karissma. She is also a mother and grandmother to her extended family—Ms. Capricia McClellan and her children and her grandchildren.

I am proud to join the Luther V. Garrison Sr. Masonic Foundation in honoring Audrey Smith-Johnson as Woman of the Year for her many contributions to her community.

REV. EDWARD MULRAINE

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 23, 2013

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, Houses of Worship in the United States have played a major

role in our communities, offering solace, support, and sustenance, both physical and moral, to all. In Mount Vernon, the Unity Baptist Tabernacle, under the guidance of the Rev. Edward Mulraine fulfills all those roles, and today we are celebrating Rev. Mulraine's tenth Pastoral Anniversary in guiding the membership of his church.

Rev. Mulraine has accomplished much in that time to help his Church, his Ministry and his Community.

He established a Men's Fellowship Choir, a Prayer Ministry, a Senior Ministry, and the Gospel Pearls. He expanded the Church's Ministry through radio station WVOV and the Internet. He instituted Women as Deacons and Unity Baptist Tabernacle saw its first Women Deacons in 2011. Unity Tabernacle now teaches Weekly Bible Study and has a Drama Ministry and a Catering Ministry.

More pragmatically Rev. Mulraine raised the funds for a new computer center which now has 14 brand new computers, installed new air conditioning in the Dining Hall, painted the sanctuary and redid the Church roof, and is paying off the \$300,000 mortgage.

Beyond his church and ministry, Rev. Mulraine has aided his community by getting pedestrian crossing lights on local streets, marching against violence, and protesting cuts to Day Care and Mount Vernon Hospital. He established the Annual Church Trip and Fellowship to South Carolina, started Home Coming after Summer Break, and fought for funds for the South Street Park.

Rev. Mulraine, and all of Mount Vernon, today celebrate his tenth anniversary as Minister of the Unity Baptist Tabernacle. I am proud to join in this celebration of a man who has made a great difference in his Church, his Ministry and his Community.

TO CONGRATULATE SADIE R. GOLDMAN ON HER 100TH BIRTH- DAY

HON. MICHAEL G. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 23, 2013

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Sadie "Honey" Goldman on her 100th birthday. Mrs. Goldman was born on December 27, 1913 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Solomon and Selina Hart. She married Irvin J. Goldman and both became loving parents to Philip and Beverly. Alongside her husband, Honey enjoyed working in the family business at Gold Electric Service Inc. in Philadelphia as well as setting time aside for her knitting and sewing. She has been blessed with seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Through her life, she has continued to pass on love, guidance, and wisdom from one generation to the next. I wish her a very happy birthday and good health and happiness.